

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 2499 without my signature.

The Federal government is currently working with the Office of Emergency Services to develop a protocol that could be used by first response agencies when inventorying resources. This would allow incident managers and planners to effectively assess and report available resources in a standardized format. Developing an automated system and adding this information prior to completion and approval of these federal standards would be premature and could result in an incompatible or redundant system.

For this reason I am unable to sign this bill.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger